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COMPOSITE WEB

COMPRISING POROUS

LAYER, PACKAGING INCLUDING SUCH COMPOSITE WEB, AND INTEGRITY TEST METHOD

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RESPONSE TO AUGUST 2, 2005 OFFICE ACTION IN U.S. PATENT APPLICATION NO. 10/643,026

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the August 2, 2005 Office Action in the above-identified application.

Please amend the claims of the above-identified patent application as set out in Section I (Amendments to the Claims) hereof.

Remarks concerning the amendments of the claims and the substance of the August 2, 2005 Office Action are set out in Section II (Remarks) hereof.